

REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 7-28, 44, 46 and 47 are pending in this application. Claims 1-5, 7-28, 46 and 47 have been allowed and claim 44 stands rejected.

Applicants respectfully request that the Amendment filed on May 2, 2005 not be entered and that the Examiner consider the present Amendment in response to the March 2, 2005 Office Action and the May 18, 2005 Advisory Action.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claim 44 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,593,185 ("Tsai").

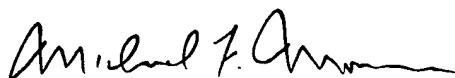
Claim 44 has been canceled without prejudice by the present Amendment.

Applicants respectfully submit that the cancellation of claim 44 by the present Amendment renders the rejection moot and that the cancellation of claim 44 places the application in condition for allowance.

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An early and favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner has any further questions or comments, the Examiner may telephone Applicants' Attorney to reach a prompt disposition of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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